THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) As per the reports received, the total quantity of heroin seized in the country by different enforcement agencies and the number of persons arrested from 1982—85 (up to 31-10-1985) are given below:—

Year	Quantity seized (in Kgs)	No. of persons arrested
1982	34·122	42
1983	138·695	122
1984	202·593	100
1985 (Up to 31-10-1985 provisional)	512 62½	122

No precise value of heroin seized can be furnished, as the illicit market price varies widely depending upon the time and place of seizure, purity of the drugs, local demand and supply position, etc.

(c) The information sought is not readily available. The time and labour involved in collecting the same will not be commensurate with the results. However, if the Honourable Member specifies any particular case, the information of the same will be collected and furnished. All the traffickers arrested in cases of smuggling of heroin were proceeded against and prosecuted under the relevant laws.

Resentment against new Textile Policy

1089. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is great resentment among the public particularly in Gujarat against the new textile policy;

(b) whether it is also a fact that on a number of places in Gujarat, cloth was burnt to show resentment against the new textile policy; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to make some changes in the new textile policy so as to give some relief to the public and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) The textile policy announced by Government in June, 1985 has, by and large, been welcomed in the country including Gujarat.

(b) No incident of burning of cloth in Gujarat to show resentment against the textile policy has so far been brought to the notice of Government.

(c) Results achieved so far in various segments of the textile industry have shown that the textile policy has given the right direction to the textile industry and, therefore, question of making any changes in the policy does not arise at this stage.

Smuggling of Foreign Synthetic Fabrics

1090. SHRI SHANKER SINGH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state whether it is a fact that foreign synthetic fabrics worth about Rs. 3000 crores is being smuggled into the country every year and if so, what steps Government propose to take in the matter?